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**In re application of:**

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**For:** CUSTOMIZING FORMS IN AN ELECTRONIC  
MAIL SYSTEM UTILIZING CUSTOM  
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OPERATIONS

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U.S. Patent No. 5,557,723, issued September 17, 1996, (as also shown by the recorded assignment at Exhibit A). Declarant hereby further certifies that the evidentiary document at Exhibit A has been reviewed by him, and to the best of the Declarant's knowledge and belief, title is in the Assignee seeking to take action.

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